--Figure 2 illustrates the N6 and N10 constructs and their respective DNA and amino acid sequences (SEQ ID NOS:13-16). The histidine tag, the flag peptide, the Fxa cutting site and the CD4+ T cell epitopes are underlined.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 32, line 20 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 7 is a schematic representation of N11 construct and its respective DNA and protein sequence (SEQ ID NOS:19-20). The hexahistidine tag, the flag peptide, the FXa cutting site, and the CD4+ T cell epitopes are underlined.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 32, line 23 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 8 is a schematic representation of N19 construct and its respective DNA and protein sequence (SEQ ID NOS:17-18). The hexahistidine tag, the flag peptide, the FXa cutting site. and the CD4+ T cell epitopes are underlined.--

Please replace the table on page 36 with the following rewritten table:

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T cell epitope	Amino acid position	Amino acid sequence	SEQ ID NO:	References
P23TT	1084-1099	VSIDKFRIFCKANPK	1	Demotz et al. 1993 Eur.J Immunol 23: 425
P32TT	1174-1189	LKFIIKRYTPNNEIDS	2	Demotz et al. 1993 Eur J Immunol 23: 425
P21TT	1064-1079	IREDNNITLKLDRCNN	3	Dr. Lanzavecchia, pers. comm.
PF T3	380-398	EKKIAKMEKASSVFN VVN	4	Hammer et al. 1993 Cell 74: I97

P30TT	947-967	FNNFTVSFWLRVPKV SASHLE	5	Demotz et al. 1993 Eur.J Immunol 23: 425
P2TT	830-843	QYIKANSKFIGITE	6	Demotz et al. 1993 Eur.J Immunol 23: 425
HA	307-319	PKYVKQNTLKLAT	7	Alexander et al. 1994 Immunity 1: 751
HBVnc	50-69	PHHTALRQAILCWGE LMTLA	8	Alexander et al. 1994 Immunity 1: 751
HBsAg	19-33	FFLLTRILTIPQSLD	9	Greenstein et al. 192 J Immunol 148: 3970
MT	17-31	YSGPLKAEIAQRLEDV	10	Alexander et al. 1994 Immunity 1: 751
HSP70	408-427	QPSVQIQVYQGEREIA SHNK	11	Adams et al. 1997 Infect Immun 65: 1061
Flag peptide		MDYKDDDD	12	

Table I. CD4+ T cell epitopes inserted in the recombinant polyepitope carrier proteins.
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Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**"